

CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF ADDENDUM

THE CITY OF READING

ADDENDUM NO. 1

BID: Bushong Dam Removal and Dam
Engineering Support Services

DUE DATE: 2:00 P.M. Prevailing Time,
November 6, 2015

NOTICE

This addendum must be signed, attached to, and returned with your proposal to the City of Reading by the time and date indicated ABOVE:

Bushong Dam Removal and Dam Engineering Support Services

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BUSHONG DAM REMOVAL AND DAM ENGINEERING SUPPORT SERVICES

Proposer Questions and City Answers

1. Can you please provide the pre-bid meeting sign-up sheet?
The pre-proposal sign-in sheet was provided with Addendum #1 as notified on October 22nd and posted on the City's website.
2. Please provide the sample contract the City of Reading intends to use for this Master Services Agreement (MSA)?
The sample contract was provided with Addendum #1 as notified and posted on the City's website.
3. Can the City of Reading use the intended MSA contract to solicit construction services or design-build services from the selected contractor?
No.
4. If the City of Reading can solicit construction services, is it the city's request that construction services alternatives be provided at this time?
N/A
5. Can the City of Reading provide any weighting to the evaluation criteria listed under Section D. on Page 9 of the RFP?
No, the City will not provide this evaluation information beyond stating this is a qualifications-based selection process.

6. Section A.2 requests Qualifications and Experience with no restriction to age of projects. It is noted in Section D. that evaluation will be limited to the last 7 years. Please clarify your intent?

The City desires to determine the most qualified firm for this work by using overall qualifications and recent experience as components of the evaluation.

7. The City of Reading indicate in the RFP that this contract is intended for potentially multiple years and other dam-related activities not necessarily listed in the RFP – i.e., a MSA. The City has not requested labor rates or pricing for anything but the 6 identified tasks. Can we assume those other rates will be negotiated upon selection?

On page 4 of the RFP, the City expresses the desire to establish labor and expense rates for 'Miscellaneous and Future Tasks' for a three-year period with the option to extend for an additional two years. These rates are to be provided with the proposal as submitted with not-to-exceed pricing using those rates for additional future tasks as may be requested.

8. Can you provide the Dam Portfolio Management Report, sample contract, and attendee list to those individuals who were at the Pre-Proposal meeting?

These documents were provided with Addendum #1 as notified and posted on the City's website.

9. Would the City of Reading consider a Design-Build option for the removal of Bushong Dam, with terms and cost to be negotiated with the winning bidder for this RFP?

No.

10. Can the City of Reading provide meeting minutes from prior meetings with the PA DEP during which the removal of Bushong's Mill Dam, Willow Creek Dam, or Bernhart's Dam were discussed?

The meeting notes from the City's meeting with PA DEP to discuss the portfolio management plan will be provided to the successful proposer. A meeting focusing on dam removal with PA DEP has not yet occurred.

11. Could you please forward me the sign in sheet from the pre-proposal conference for the Bushong Mill RFP as well as Dam Portfolio Management Report?

These documents were provided with Addendum #1 as notified and posted on the City's website.

12. Will the City require any design elements above what the state and federal regulatory agencies require (i.e. sediment analysis, sediment transport modeling, etc.)?

Beyond sound engineering practices to ensure an accurate cost estimate for removal and meeting regulatory and permitting requirements, the City does not anticipate requesting additional design elements.

13. Will the City consider awarding individual jobs to different vendors?

No, but teams, partnerships, and subconsultants are

14. Can proposals be submitted for individual dams rather than the complete RFP?
No, but teams, partnerships, and subconsultants are acceptable.
15. Can a contractor be listed as a project partner in a design proposal and still bid on the construction IFB if the proposal is not selected?
Yes.
16. Will the City consider a design build proposal for individual dams? Or at a minimum as a break out option to the design proposals noted in the RFP?
No.
17. Will the City of Reading supply previous assessment and study documents? If so, can these be supplied before the Oct 28th city response date?
These documents were provided with Addendum #1 as notified and posted on the City's website.
18. Will the City of Reading supply a copy of the previous DEP minutes to help with the development of proposals?
The meeting notes from the City's meeting with PA DEP to discuss the portfolio management plan will be provided to the successful proposer.
19. The current RFP lists three sites to provide costs for designs to remove (Bushong, Willow Creek, and Bernhart's). It also includes two for review as part of the Portfolio Management Report requirement. The City of Reading literature that was handed out during the meeting included Ontelaunee Dam as well. Should this dam be included in the proposal? If so, as a site to quote for its removal or as part of the Portfolio Management Report section?
The literature distributed during the meeting included information on all City-owned dams with the intent that proposers would be able to visit the other sites contemplated for removal. Ontelaunee Dam has no specific tasks listed in this RFP.
20. Can a copy (e-copy) of the "Dam Portfolio Management Report" be provided?
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21. Can the sign-in sheet from the mandatory pre-proposal meeting held on Friday, October 16th be provided?
This document was provided with Addendum #1 as notified and posted on the City's website.
22. The RFP referenced a proposed contract as Attachment 3, this was not included in the information downloaded. Can a copy be provided?
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23. The RFP requests that "...each Proposer submit in its Proposal a list detailing the specific information, records and documents it will need from the City to perform the Project...; can the City provide a list of available documents so this request can be complied with?
The City may not be in possession of all documents desired by a consultant to complete the project. Prepare the proposal assuming the consultant may need to seek information from other sources than the City.
24. It is our understanding that a grant was requested and obtained to assist in the removal of the Bushong Dam, can a copy of this grant be provided; as well as, a copy of the notification of grant award and specifics pertaining to implementation of the grant.
The City applied for a Growing Greener grant but no award determination has been made to date. There is no grant award and specifics to provide.
25. Can you please provide a copy of the Dam Portfolio Management Report that is referenced in the RFP? Also, the attachments to the RFP (1-3) are not included in the file, can you please provide these as well?
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26. The RFP for the Bushong Dam Removal and Dam Engineering Support Services indicates that the City may make background information available to proposers. What information is available to us and how may we obtain it?
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I, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE CHANGES COVERED BY THIS ADDENDUM HAVE BEEN TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT.

Firm Name (Type or Print)_____

Authorized Signature _____

Title_____

Name (Type or Print)_____

Date_____